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SEE NEW HOPE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM

Kosciusko Massacre Defense Lawyer To Defend Upstate Negro Charged With The Murder Of A White Man

FAMILY HIRES LAWYER TO AID IN PROSECUTION

Trial Of Pete Stringfellow Set For June Term Of Circuit Court

LOUISVILLE, Miss., May 28.—(DSN)—One of the greatest handicaps to the Negroes of the South in seeking equal justice before the law, especially when involved in a charge of having committed a crime against a white man, that of securing legal representation, for which he is willing and able to pay, was seen as having been surmounted in the case of Pete Stringfellow, 66-year-old Negro man charged with the murder of a white man who had employed his wife as a family wash woman for many years. Attorney Neal Priscoe announced here this week that he would defend the aged Negro man when the case comes up in June term of the Winston County Circuit Court.



ELKS STATE PRESIDENT, Fred H. Miller, of Mound Bayou, State President, who will preside over the June 10, 11, 12, 13, Biloxi meeting of the Mississippi State Association of Elks.

Welcome Program Marks Opening Of Conference At Central

A public program, at 8 p. m. Tuesday night marked the opening of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist church for a five days session at Central Methodist church.

The conference with Bishop Robert N. Brooks, presiding, opened (Continued on Page Six)

LAW STUDENT BECOMES PREXY OF NORTHWESTERN FORUM

CHICAGO — (ANP) — David S. Minor, a law student at Northwestern and DePaul Universities, last week was elected president of the Northwestern University forum.

He is believed to be the first Negro ever elected to head a major campus organization at Northwestern, although the school is 100 years old.

While a member of this organization, Minor has accomplished a number of achievements — regular member on NU Forum's radio broadcasts; moderator of these air shows; winner of oratorical contests two years in succession, and last year winner in the citywide contest sponsored by the Lake Shore Drive Speakers Club.

Negro Farm Laborers Idle While Cong. Approves Mexican Workers

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — Many farm laborers of this country are becoming more and more concerned over the effort made by the Federal Government to import foreign workers from Mexico, Puerto Rico and other countries to the United States to do farm work while there are thousands of unemployed Americans, including Negroes, American Indians, native born Mexicans and white farm workers.

After much debate, the senate last Monday, approved a bill to recruit Mexican farm workers for seasonal employment on short-handed American farms. The bill provides for the U. S. Government to pay the workers' traveling expense to various centers, and farmers are expected to pay the fare from the centers to their respective farms.

It also commits the government (Continued on Page Eight)

Spingarn Medal Awarded Leader Of Nurses

NEW YORK, May 24 — The thirty-sixth Spingarn Medal, awarded annually to a Negro American for distinguished achievement, will be presented this year to Mrs. Mabel Keaton Staupers for "spearheading the successful movement to integrate Negro nurses into American life as equals."

Announcement of the award was made today by Dr. Louis T. Wright, chairman of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, following a meeting of the award committee.

For many years, Mrs. Staupers (Continued on Page Five)

Dr. J. H. Jackson Gets High Praise For Chicago U. Divinity School Speech Monday

Chicago, Ill., May 28 (DSN)—Dr. Joseph H. Jackson, Pastor of Olivet Baptist Church was given the highest praise from both faculty members and students for his address, last Monday, to the Divinity School of the University of Chicago.

In his address the noted orator and preacher, who is a native of Mississippi, and a graduate of Jackson College, said:

"Students must come forth with certainties, unquestioned certainties, because the world already had doubts enough. If schools of religion and education in general are to keep abreast of the times they must do more than prepare candidates for positions. Already, many positions and professions are overcrowded. A successful graduate must be more than a candidate for positions that do not exist. The time has passed when a graduate student must go forth only with the latest theories about life. We are forced to look to schools of religion and to leaders of Christian thought for a constructive and creative approach to the problems of life. Modern science in recent years has geared itself to a program of mass slaughter and destruction. The crises of the times are demanding that our scientists give to us secret weapons for military use and conquest. The Atom Bomb is a case in point. Our scientists today, for the most part, are not committed to the type of work which engaged Edison, Burbank, George Washington Carver, etc. These scientists were concerned about the construction and growth of the human enterprise. They labored incessantly to give man new techniques, and new methods of economic, social, and cultural advancements. Their laboratories (Continued on Page Seven)

State Elks Meet In Biloxi Next Week

BILOXI, Miss., May 29 — The Mississippi Association of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the world, and its Auxiliary the Mississippi Association of Daughters of I.R.P.O.E. of W. will meet here June 10-11-12-13, in its 27th Annual Convention.

The Daughter Elks are headed by Dr. Willie Rude of Jackson. The officers of the State Association are: Fred H. Miller, Mound Bayou, President; Edward Lee, Jackson, 1st Vice President; Henry Beck, Biloxi, 2nd Vice President; Willie Wilks Belzoni, 3rd Vice President; George M. Martin, Brookhaven, Secretary; Andrew H. Brown, Hollandale, Treasurer; D. D. Shophard, Jackson, Esquire; R. A. Barnes, Brookhaven, Inner Guard; Thelley Hooks, Clarksdale, Tyler; Rev. A. D. Purnell, Mound Bayou, Chaplain; Dr. P. M. George, Mound Bayou, Medical Director; Dr. W. P. Kyle, Biloxi, Asst. Medical Director; W. J. Bishop, Greenwood, Director of Economics; P. J. Gray, Greenwood, Asst. Director of Economics; Dr. F. S. Williams, Mound Bayou, Director of Oral Hygiene; Dr. Q. Randolph, Belzoni, Asst. Director Oral Hygiene; Hon. B. A. Greene, Mound Bayou, Legal Advisor; W. A. Higgins, Clarksdale, Commissioner of Education; C. T. Butler, Meridian, Director of Civil Liberties; Edward Cockran, Greenwood, Master of Social Session.

Parents May Be Jailed For Death Of Child Here

The parents of a three-year-old boy was threatened with prosecution on a charge of negligence when the child was found burned to death in their home at 612 N. Mill street early Monday morning.

The parents of the child, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McMullen said that they were out on a party when the fire destroyed their home and caused the death of the child.

Her Marriage Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Pency Greene are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Gwendolyn Louise, to Mr. Gilbert Lewis Kelly. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly are 1950 graduates of Tougaloo College. Mrs. Kelly was employed during the past year at Campbell College of Jackson, Mississippi and is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Mr. Kelly is the son of Mrs. Jessie Cook of Laurel, Miss., and the late Mr. Gilbert Kelly. He is employed by the city school system of Hattiesburg, Miss., and is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

Madison County AME Zion Pastor Endorses Work Of Mississippi Negro Democrats Ass'n.

CANTON, Miss., May 26—Johnnie Greene, President of the Madison County Negro Democrats Association was guest speaker at a program rendered for the church, Zion Chapel A. M. E., 3 miles East of Canton, sponsored by Mrs. Lucile Sutton.

Rev. Clarence Goodloe, the pastor who invited Johnnie Greene to the program said that he and his members are going to support the program of the Mississippi State (Continued on Page Five)

Pres. Reddix Tells Alumni Of Coming Univ. Status For Jackson College

President J. L. Reddix of Jackson College told the Alumni Association of plans which will raise Jackson College to the status of a university by the end of the year 1952.

The President's speech was the featured event of the Annual Banquet of the Alumni Association at the college Saturday night.

The plans as outlined by the President included the erection of four new buildings—a dining hall and student union building, administration, education, and sciences (Continued on Page Eight)

U. S. JUDGES STUDY DECISION IN SCHOOL SEGREGATION CASE

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 29.—(DSN)—A three judge United States Court of Appeals began deliberations on their decision in the segregated schools case in which was presented the first direct challenge to the South's segregated school system in which testimony ended here Tuesday.

Lawyers for the Negro citizens who brought the suit against Clarendon schools urged that the extension of time be denied and that segregation be outlawed immediately in the county school system.

Chief defense counsel Robert McFigg, Jr., told the court that South Carolina wants to solve its social problems through education. He pointed out that Northern states ended school segregation as the feelings of their citizens charged and not under federal court pressure.

Thurgood Marshall, chief counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, summed up the testimony of psychologists and educators who testified that segregation establishes "road blocks to learning."

Two educators testified that racial segregation is injurious to Negroes.

Under questioning by attorneys defending the Clarendon county school trustees, both witnesses admitted they had not studied the issue in states where separation of races is the law.

Howard U. Cadets Inducted Into Nat'l Air Force ROTC Fraternity

FIRST NEGRO UNIT TO BE INDUCTED INTO ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Twenty-five air force ROTC cadets at Howard University were inducted last week into the Arnold Air Society, national Air Force Fraternity, with a membership of more than 2,000 cadets in its 61 squadrons. The Howard University chapter, established recently with sixteen charter members, is the first unit to be established at a Negro institution. The 25 inductees bring the Howard University chapter membership to a total of 41 cadets.

The Howard University chapter has been named Turner Squadron, after the late Major Andrew D. Turner, who served as Commanding Officer of the 100th fighter squadron in Italy during World War II, and was later killed in an airplane crash at Lockbourne Air Force Base in Ohio, the Air Medal with 7 oak leaf clusters, and the Croix de Guerre. Major Turner, a former Howard University student, was a native of Washington, D. C., and his widow and two children, ages 5 and 3 years, still reside here. (Continued on Page Six)

U. S. Supreme Court Get Petition For Review Of Bates Case

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is seeking a review by the United States Supreme Court of the judgment of Lower Federal courts dismissing the Mississippi equal school teacher's pay case.

A petition for a review of the case was filed last Friday by NAACP attorneys on behalf of Mrs. Gladys Noel Bates and Richard Jess Brown, who were teachers in Jackson, Miss.

They are asking the Supreme Court to review the judgment of the Fifth United States Circuit Court of Appeals affirming the decision of the Federal District Court at Jackson, dismissing the suit of Mrs. Bates and Brown on the ground that the two teachers had not exhausted their administrative remedies provided by the law of Mississippi.

NAACP lawyers contend: 1. That the rule which requires that administrative remedies be exhausted before seeking relief from a Federal court is not proper (Continued on Page Six)

The New Concord Baptist Church Model For State

ANDING, Miss., May 28.—The New Concord Baptist Church which has been serving the spiritual needs for the Kelly community in this section of Yazoo County for over forty years, remodeled and dedicated anew on December 11, 1949, with its growing community activities may now be looked upon as a model for the state.

The growth and development of the new Concord Baptist Church since its founding, especially since it was remodeled in 1949 is revealed in all too brief history of the church compiled by Mrs. (Continued on Page Eight)

File \$15,000.00 Jim Crow Suit Against Railroad

BOSTON—(ANP)—A motion to dismiss a \$15,000 damage brought by Paul Walker and his daughter, Mary, of Boston against the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, was argued before Judge George C. Weeney in Federal court last week and the case has been taken under advisement.

Walker and his daughter allege that because they were Negroes they were compelled to ride in a "jimmie" coach on a trip they made to Palatka, Fla., two years ago.

Counsel for the railroad sought dismissal of the suit on the grounds of lack of jurisdiction and improper (Continued on Page Three)

Iowa Pastor Rust Commencement Speaker June 6

HOLLY SPRINGS, Miss., May 28.—Rev. Alan T. Mayberry, Pastor, First Methodist Church, of Shenandoah, Iowa will deliver the commencement address of Rust College here it was announced this week by the College President, Dr. L. M. McCoy.

The commencement program will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, June 6, in the College Auditorium.

The Rust College Commencement season opened Friday, June 1st, with the High School Class Day and Annual Musical and is followed by the Band Concert at 5 p. m. Saturday.

WASHINGTON CIVIL RIGHTS CONFERENCE DEMAND CHANGE IN SENATE FILIBUSTER RULE

Leaders of Both Parties Promise Action DELEGATES FROM 31 NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AT MEETING



CHURCH HISTORIAN: Mrs. Alma Johnson, of Anding, Mississippi who is being highly praised as the compiler of the recently published history of The New Concord Baptist Church.

Mississippi Negro Vote Case Waits Decision Of U. S. Court

HATTIESBURG, Miss., May 29.—The First Mississippi Negro vote case is now awaiting the decision of the U. S. Court of appeals of New Orleans, La.

The case filed by a number of prominent Negro business and professional men of Hattiesburg against the Forest County Circuit Court went before the appellate court last Wednesday on an appeal from the decision by Federal Judge Sidney C. Mize of the Southern District of Mississippi who ruled that the Negro citizens failed to exhaust all administrative remedies before bringing the case in court.

Observers at the hearing in New (Continued on Page Five)

Attack On South's Jim Crow School System Enters New Phase This Week

NEW YORK — National attention began focusing this week on the opening of a new phase of the legal attack on segregated education by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, as preparations progressed for the trial of the suit seeking admission of Negro elementary and high school students of Clarendon County, South Carolina, to the county "white" schools.

The precedent-shattering suit is scheduled to be heard in Charleston beginning May 28, before a three-judge federal court consisting of Senior Circuit Judge John J. Parker and Federal District Judges J. Watie Waring and Geo. B. Timmerman. Originally scheduled to be argued in federal district court before Judge Waring, the suit was shifted to a three-judge court when it became apparent that it involved a frontal attack against the segregated school system. Federal law requires that cases attacking a state statute order of a state agency as unconstitutional be heard before a court composed of three judges, including at least one justice of the Courts of Appeals.

The NAACP brief, filed on behalf of sixty-seven Negro school children and their parents, sets forth the glaring inequalities within the school system. As in the cases attacking segregation on the graduate and professional levels, the NAACP is expected to produce as expert witnesses leaders in anthropology, education, and allied fields, to testify as to the discrimination imposed on Negro students.

NAACP attorneys representing (Continued on Page Seven)

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Hope for congressional action on the civil rights program has been revived here by the announcement that the Senate Rules Committee will hold open hearings on proposals to change the present cloture rule in order to make it easier to break filibusters.

Senator Kenneth Wherry, minority leader, made this announcement to the 67 representatives of 31 national organizations who, on call of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, held a civil rights conference here, May 22-23.

The Republican leader's announcement followed a conference which the delegates had with him and Representative Joseph Martin, minority leader in the House. During the conference, Senator Wherry told the delegates that he would present their request for scheduling of hearing on rules change to the committee, which was meeting immediately thereafter.

He returned to the delegates while they were in conference with Senator Ernest W. McFarland, majority leader, to announce dramatically the unanimous decision of the Senate Rules Committee to again take up the issue of changing the Senate rule on cloture.

Speaking on behalf of the delegation, Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, told the congressional leaders of both parties that the group considered a change in the rules as "the first step in clearing the way for enactment of civil rights bills." He and other members of the delegation cited the impossibility of surmounting the present requirement of a constitutional two-thirds vote to shut off endless debate on measures before the Senate.

Wherry Defends Rule
Senator Wherry, who co-sponsored the so-called compromise rule with Senator Carl Hayden (D., Ariz.), defended the present rule, asserting that it was workable and "all that is necessary is to get the votes." He said that he felt reasonably sure that he could get "38 and possibly 40 Republican (Continued on Page Three)

Urge Defeat Of Rankin Jim Crow Hospital Bill

Washington, May 24.—An urgent request that Congress defeat the Rankin bill, H.R. 314, providing for a segregated veterans hospital for Negroes at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington in Franklin County, Virginia, was made this week by thirty-five leaders of twenty-one national organizations meeting here for a civil rights conference called by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In a letter to 315 congressmen, the group described the Franklin County area as "inaccessible . . . far from important centers of population and far, also, from any recognized medical center."

"It would be irony," the letter said, "for wounded veterans of the Air Force and the Navy who served and fought without segregation in their units to be segregated according to race and color for treatment and rehabilitation in veteran hospitals set up by their own country."

The letter was signed by Patrick M. Malin, American Civil Liberties Union; Aubrey Robinson, American Council on Human Rights; Lewis Hines, American Federation of Labor; Edwin J. Lucas, American Jewish Committee; Will Maslow, American Jewish Congress; Violet Gunther, Amer- (Continued on Page Four)